

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Sub:- Public Services – Allegations of corruption and criminal misconduct against Sri K.M.V. Ramana Rao, Assistant Commercial Tax Officer and 15 other officials of C.T. Department, Transport Department, Civil Supplies Department and Agriculture & Cooperation Department working in Integrated Check Post, Purushothapuram, Itchapuram Mandal, Srikakulam District – Common Departmental Proceedings under Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (C.C.& A) Rules, 1991 – Instituted – Articles of Charges Issued – Written Statement of Defence submitted – Entrusted the case to the Commissioner of Inquiry – Report submitted – Disciplinary action continued under A.P.R.P. Rules, 1980 against Sri K.M.V. Ramana Rao, A.C.T.O. (Retd.) –punishment modified -Order- Issued.

REVENUE (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 200

Dated.11.02.2011.

1. G.O.Rt.No.1959, Revenue (Vig.I) Dept, dt.13.10.2003.
2. G.O.Rt.No.1960, Revenue (Vig.I) Dept, dt.13.10.2003.
3. Sri K.M.V. Ramana Rao, A.C.T.O., Written statement of defence, dated 3.1.2004
4. G.O.Rt.No.329 Revenue (Vig.I) Dept, dated 16.2.2005.
5. G.O.Rt.No.330 Revenue (Vig.I) Dept, dated 16.2.2005.
6. From Dr. A. Madhusudhan Reddy, IAS (Retd.), [Enquiry Officer] Lr.No.145/COI.AMR/2005, dated 14.7.2006.
7. Memo.No.5140/Vig.I(2)/2000-21, Dated 6-2-2007.
8. Explanation dated.14.6.2007 of Sri K.M.V.Ramana Rao, ACTO(Retd)
- 9 Representation dated.2-7-2009of Sri K.M.V.Ramana Rao,ACTO (Retd.,)
- 10 .Lr.No. 5140/Vig.I(2)/2000-30 Dated.18.11.2010.
11. From the Secreatry, APPSC Lr.No.1628/ RT-I/1/2008, Dt.24.12.2010.

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ORDER:-

Whereas, in the reference 1st cited, Common Departmental Proceedings was initiated under Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (C.C.& A) Rules, 1991 against Sri K.M.V. Ramana Rao, Assistant Commercial Tax Officer among the other officials belonging to Commercial Taxes Department, Transport Department, Civil Supplies Department, Agricultural Market Committee Department, who were working at the Integrated Check Post, Purushottapuram, Itchapuram Mandal, Srikakulam District as on 9.10.1999, on the allegation that they were collecting illegal gratification from the crew of transport vehicles passing through the check post as found out during the surprise check conducted over the check post on 9.10.1999.

2. Whereas in the reference 2nd cited, the following Articles of Charges were issued against the said Accused Officer :-

Charge:1

That Sri K.M.V. Ramana Rao, Assistant Commercial of Tax Officer allowed Private persons to collect mamools from the crew of the lorry drivers.

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Charge:2

That Sri K.M.V. Ramana Rao, A.C.T.O. being in charge of the said check post in the absence of DCTO., failed to supervise the functioning of his subordinates and other departments counters.

3. And whereas after consideration of the Written Statement of Defence submitted by the Accused Officer in the reference 3rd cited, the case was entrusted to the Commissioner of Inquiries for conducting detailed enquiry against the Accused Officers.

4. And whereas after conducting detailed enquiry by, Dr. A. Madhusudhan Reddy, IAS (Retd.), COI, who was appointed as Enquiry Officer in the reference 4rd cited, has submitted the Enquiry Report through his letter dated.14.9.2006 wherein the two (2) charges framed against the Charged Officer Sri K.M.V. Ramana Rao, Assistant Commercial Tax Officer . were held proved.

5. And whereas Government, after careful consideration of the material in detail, decided to continue disciplinary action against Sri K.M.V. Ramana Rao, formerly Asst. Commercial Tax Officer, Integrated Check Post, Purushottapuram, Itchapuram Mandal, Srikakulam District under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 as the Accused Officer retired from service on 31.1.2004 on attaining the age of superannuation. On conclusion of enquiry Government had provisionally decided to impose 3% cut in pension permanently against him as the charges were held proved in the regular enquiry and accordingly issued a show cause Notice

6. And whereas, in his representation dated.14.6.2007 Sri K.M.V.Ramana Rao, while denying the Article of Charges issued against him, has informed that the averment has failed that the Charged Officer engaged private persons for collection of mamools from the crew of the passing vehicles as per the deposition of PW.1 & P.W.2 and requested the Government to exonerated him from the charges. In his representation dated.2.7.2009 Sri K.M.V.Ramana Rao, has also requested to reduce the punishment proposed against him as it is a major and requested to modify the punishment duly reducing the same as minor punishment.

7. And whereas, after taking into consideration of the representations submitted by the said Charged Officer, it has been decided to reduce the punishment provisionally decided to be imposed to one of imposing a lumpsum cut in pension equivalent to stoppage of one increment for a period of two years i.e Rs.10,656.

8. And whereas, in the reference 11th read above, the concurrence of the A.P. Public Service Commission has also been obtained in the matter.

9. Government, after careful examination of the matter in detail, hereby modify the punishment of 3% cut in pension permanently to that of a lumpsum cut in pension of Sri K.M.V.Ramana Rao, ACTO (Retired) equivalent to stoppage of one increment for a period of two years before his retirement i.e Rs.10,656/- as the charges framed against him are held proved.

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10. The Commissioner of Commercial Taxes, Hyderabad is requested to take necessary action in this regard and Action Taken Report be sent at the earliest.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASUTOSH MISHRA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri K.M.V. Ramana Rao, formerly Asst. Commercial Tax Officer,
Integrated Check Post, Purushottapuram,
Itchapuram Mandal, Srikakulam District (now retired)
through Commissioner of Commercial Taxes,
A.P., Hyderabad (w.e.)
The Commissioner of Commercial Taxes,
A.P., Hyderabad with a request to serve the
copy on the individual and send the
served copy with dated signature to the Government.

Copy to:-

The Secretary to V.C.,
Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission,
Hyderabad.

The Director General,
Anti Corruption Bureau,
Hyderabad.

The Deputy Commissioner(CT),
Vizianagaram.

The Accountant General,
A.P.Hyderabad.

The Director of Treasury & Accounts,
The District Treasury Officer,
Vizianagaram.

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SECTION OFFICER